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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated March 15, 2000. The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to comply with requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures.

Please amend the specification in adherence with rules 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825 as follows: